





**HARRY F. CLARK**, formerly superintendent of the St. Louis division of the Wabash, and then a resident of Decatur, has been appointed superintendent of the western division of the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific, with headquarters at Springfield. Mr. Clark succeeds C. H. Chappell, who has accepted the general superintendency of the Chicago & Alton.

#### THE MAINE DIFFICULTY.

The latest advices from Maine do not change the situation materially, except to strengthen the opinion that serious troubles are likely to result from this latest attempt at state larceny. The Republicans are becoming aroused to a full sense of the enormity of the crime which Garcelon has committed, and with the sense of wrong comes the desire to redress their grievance, even if it should become necessary to resort to force in order that right and justice may prevail. Many Democrats and Greenbackers refuse to countenance the thieving scheme of Garcelon, and denounce his attempt to override the will of the people with a vigor that is not surpassed by that shown by Republicans.

The results which may follow this action of Governor Garcelon, if it is allowed to pass unrebuked, are not difficult to foretell. If a governor can count out a legislature fairly elected, and install one that the people repudiated at the polls, thereby prolonging his own official existence or passing the control of the state into the hands of his "conspirencers," the end of popular government has come. The Republican candidate lacked but a few hundred votes of having a majority of all that were cast in the state. He had (in round numbers) 65,000 votes; the Greenback candidate received 47,000, while Garcelon, the present incumbent and the Democratic candidate for reelection, had but 21,000 votes. In the face of this fact, and the additional one that the legislature elected by the people was largely Republican in both branches, Garcelon and his fellow thieves proceed to count out enough Republicans to give the control of the legislature to their "pals," so that that body can elect either the head thief—Garcelon—or his greenback partner—Smith—to the governorship, albeit the latter received only a little over a third of the votes and Garcelon less than one-sixth. If thieving scoundrels can thus override the will of the people in state affairs, what is there to prevent them from certifying to the election of the Democratic electors in Maine next year?

In the absence of any Demo-Confederate blundering in Congress during the holiday recess, the Democrats and Fusionists in Maine kindly come to the rescue and keep alive the fears of the people by committing an unparalleled outrage upon the rights of the majority as expressed at the ballot-box.

CHIEF JUSTICE Sanford E. Church has been interviewed by the New York Star's reporter on the Democratic split in that state, and the Judge thinks that the troubles will settle themselves if plenty of time is given. Probably he means if time enough is given to put the belligerents under ground.

Not long ago the Boston Park Street Church appointed a committee, who made a patient and careful examination among the converts of recent revival meetings in that city with a view of ascertaining the number of backsliders among them, and the report is far from encouraging. The Rev. Dr. Withrow read the report from his pulpit, and stated that a large majority of the converts had relapsed into a worse condition than before their conversion. The Albany Journal says the same result is noticeable among the Cape Cod camp-meeting converts, and concludes that religious "booms" and undue excitement are not always profitable indulgences.

The New York Nation is struggling with the fear that the Chicago Convention will be a yelling Convention which will be favorable to Grant, whereas if it were a deliberating Convention it would be more inclined to nominate Sherman or Blaine. A "yelling Convention" is precisely the thing needed—and a yelling campaign after it. The Democrats have been giving us the old rebel yell for some time past as a part of the legitimate fruits of the conciliation policy of President Hayes, and next year we propose to substitute for it an old Yankee yell. We notice, too, that all the successful candidates of the Republican party have been nominated by a yelling convention. But perhaps the Nation would like to have the thing done at a Quaker meeting next time.—Globe-Democrat.

#### THE PROTECTION LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

From our Chicago Correspondent.

Judge Blodgett, of the United States court, rendered a decision on Dec. 24, which is of very great interest to the thousands of policy holders throughout Illinois and the Western States, who held policies in the defunct concern known as the Protection Life Ins. Co. of Chicago.

The company became bankrupt some time since and an assignee was appointed, who proceeded to notify all parties who held policies to appear in the Circuit Court of the United States, in answer to a petition by him filed, and show cause why they should not be assessed to pay the debts of the bankrupt company. In answer to this notice a large number of policy holders appeared and opposed the assessment. Several days were consumed in the argument of the case, on the conclusion of which, the case was taken under advisement and a decision rendered, the main points of which are as follows: The company was on the mutual plan and issued policies of various kinds known as No. 1, 2, A, B, BNO2, and "Commercial League." The court held the policies to be the contract, that they were of such dignity. That by the terms of the policies the company only became liable on the happening of a death to collect from each policy holder his pro rata of the death loss, and in certain contingencies to pay a guaranteed amount sufficient to cover all unpaid policies in that particular assessment. In other words, the company by the contract was not liable to pay the death loss, but was only the agent between the insured and the legal representatives of the deceased policy holder to collect the amount of the policy—and the company having failed to meet the death losses in the manner provided by the policy from month to month, as they occurred, the aid of the court could not now be invoked to do that which the company could not, by its own default legally do. By the terms of all the policies the non payment of any assessment to meet a death loss lapsed the policy and the holder thereupon forfeited all his rights in the company. This being a part of the contract, and the company itself being unable to enforce the payment of assessments made after default, the court could not do so.

The insuperable objection to the assessment, however, was upon the right of the court to make an assessment, not for the general purposes of the company, and that too on the application of the assignee when there is no hope of a dollar ever being paid to the policy holders or their representatives. This the court declined to do, holding that the court had no right to assume jurisdiction and make assessments for the benefit of specific death losses. The court further held that when the contract provided that by the happening of a certain event the policy should become void, that therefore the liability of the insured closed, or, in other words, when the non payment of an assessment rendered the insurance company no longer liable, the insured was also no longer liable.

A Southern man has always a great respect for the other fellow who can thrash him. He used to think before the war that a Southern man could lick about five Northern mudsills on an average, and it took some hard fighting to whip that false notion out of him. Mr. Watterson thought he could lead 100,000 brave Democrats up Pennsylvania avenue and seat Mr. Tilden in the White House, but when he remembered that the hero of Vicksburg and Appomattox Court House and the intermediate posts was at the head of the army and navy, Mr. Watterson concluded he wouldn't. But the other day Grant was in Louisville, and Mr. Watterson greeted the general just as cordially as if he had never been in danger of being set to Fort Lafayette. Now the Bourbon papers all over the South are pitching into the Courier-Journal because of its kindly benediction which it pronounced on all on that occasion, ending in these generous and manly words: "For the city's dignity and honor, shake! For the sake of old Kentucky, shake! For our country and our flag, and in glorification of American womanhood and manhood, shake!" And may the love of God that passeth all understanding—peace, mercy, and grace—bless and provide over us all this day? It is much better to edit a leading newspaper, even if it be devoted to a mild type of Bourbonism, and edit exceedingly well, as Mr. Watterson confessedly does, than to appear at the head of ever so many incensed Democrats who were disappointed about the result of an election and lost their bets.

It now turns out that Senator Vo-rehees, who is so much disturbed about the influx of a few colored men in Indiana, is a carpet-bagger himself, having been "originally born" in Ohio, migrated to Minnesota in his youth, and finally stuck his stake for keeps on the shady banks of the murmuring Wabash. As Dan is not indigenous to the sacred soil of the Hoosier state, it doesn't become him to attempt to exclude others, as decent and well-behaved as himself, though a shade darker in color, from peacefully attempting to get their proper share of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness in the same Commonwealth.

The New York World (Bourbon and anti-Tilden) wants to know if anybody supposes Gen. Grant could carry the State of New York against Horatio Seymour in 1880; and the Albany Journal promptly replies that he could "by a large majority."

Notorious, in endless variety, at the Popular New York Store 11-d&w

#### TELEGRAPHIC MAINE.

The Indignation on the Increase.

Perilous Condition of Affairs at Los Pinos

GRANT IN WASHINGTON.

PORTLAND, Dec. 27.—The principal Protestant clergyman of Portland has united in a petition to the Governor to ask the advice of the Supreme Court to assist in bringing about a settlement of differences. Bishop Neely and Dr. Hall are among the signers.

At a meeting of the citizens' executive committee, held last night, an address to the public was adopted, which expresses the opinion that if the Governor shall see fit to persist in this remarkable and alarming purchase of munition of war for use against the people, the responsibility therefor may well be left upon him, and the law-abiding citizens of Bangor will do nothing by which they would incur any degree of responsibility for the deplorable consequences which may ensue from turning the capital of the State into an armed camp. They therefore feel assured that there is no disposition on the part of the people to resist the execution of any order lawfully given by the Governor for the removal from our city of any property belonging to the State.

Petitions signed by several leading citizens, including numbers of the most prominent Democrats of the city, have been forwarded to the Governor, urging the propriety of complying with the proposition of Mr. Morrill for a referendum of the questions involved in the carrying out of the arms to the Supreme Court.

The greenbackers have issued a call for a meeting of citizens at Farwell Hall, Monday evening, to give expression to their determination to vindicate the integrity of the constitution and laws, and uphold the Executive of the State in the faithful discharge of his duty, and to rebuke the violent and incendiary utterances.

GARDNER, Me., Dec. 27.—Considerable dissatisfaction is known to exist among several prominent Democrats and Greenbackers, on account of a clergyman addressing an indignation meeting last Monday night. Much excitement is manifest here over the Bangor affair. A petition has been sent to the Governor and Council, signed by 253 citizens of both parties, urging the propriety of expedience and justice of asking the opinion of the Supreme Court in accordance with Mr. Morrill's request.

Boston, Dec. 28.—At 11 o'clock a fire broke out in the rear of the paper warehouse of Rice, Kendall & Co., on Federal street, near Franklin. Their building is entirely gone, and other very valuable property, including Houghton, Osgood & Co.'s publishing establishment, on Devonshire street. Rand & Avery's printing house, on Franklin street, is in great danger. The flames are spreading rapidly, and the entire fire department of the city has been called out.

The fire is located in one of the most prominent business portions of the city. The fire is progressing rapidly and the firemen are fighting to keep the conflagration within its present limit. It started in the second story rear of Houghton and Osgood's publishing house and extended to the building occupied by the North National Bank on the corner of Franklin and Devonshire streets, the roof of which has fallen in and the entire building is ablaze. The loss to Houghton & Osgood will be immense, and the present estimate of the entire loss is fixed as high as between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000.

Among the firms that are losers are: Sabin Page, 15 and 17 Federal street; Williams and Coburn, wool; the Ashton Value Co., D. Faulkner, wool; Ephraim Baker, book bindery; S. K. Abbott, Baker, book bindery; E. T. Casswell and pamphlet binder; E. T. Casswell and others on Federal street. The fire at present extends from Houghton & Osgood's building to the corner of Devonshire street.

At this hour (3 a. m.) the fire is completely under control. The loss will not be so heavy as at first estimated, though many place it at \$2,500,000. Rand & Avery did not suffer from fire, though their stock was damaged considerably by water. The firms that have suffered total loss are Rice, Kendall & Co., Houghton, Osgood & Co., and the Union Express Co. Many firms located in the same block, on Federal and Devonshire streets, received heavy damages, the extent of which it is impossible at this hour to estimate. S. D. Warren, paper manufacturer, W. F. Brown & Co., printers; New York and Boston Dispatch Company, and Earl & Prews Providence Express, in addition to those already mentioned, are heavy sufferers. The stock in Rice, Kendall & Co's was valued at nearly \$200,000, and the building at \$72,000. The insurance is very heavy, and will, it is thought, cover the entire loss, but at this late hour lists are not obtainable. Several explosions occurred during the fire in the North Bank building, and some firemen were injured.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 27.—Six detachments of police, of five men each, moved simultaneously to-night on six

gambling houses, and arrested nineteen men. Three houses were fired, and three keno. The latter were filled with players, who escaped through windows and over the roofs of adjoining buildings. Two wagon-loads of gambling implements were taken to the station house.

DENVER, Dec. 28.—A special to the Denver Tribune from Los Pinos, dated the 25th, represents that the situation is very serious there. Hatch was to have started from Los Pinos yesterday and spend to-night at Cline's Ranch on the Cinnamon. On the 30th he starts from there to Alamosa, which is the last railroad station. Hatch has given up all hope of securing the Indians, and as his departure is tantamount to a declaration of war much anxiety is felt as to his fate. There are several hundred braves near Los Pinos, and the whites, all told, will not number over twenty-five. The roads are blocked with snow, and only passable for light buck boards, and the Indians have the whites completely trapped. Those in the bowl are Hatch, Valois, Al. F. Saunders, of Virginia, the Denver Tribune correspondent, 15 soldiers and the Agency employes. Gen. Adams is in Denver. It is believed that the troop of cavalry under McKenzie, stationed at Fort Garland, has been ordered to make a forced march to Los Pinos at once, but they cannot get there before the Indians attack unless Oray succeeds in keeping them quiet a little longer. Oray, Animas City, Silverton, and other settlements are greatly exposed. The White River Utes have consumed all the stores taken from White River Agency, and are eager to make an attack on Los Pinos Agency. If Hatch has left without the Indians it is considered certain that war will open at once. The Indians will strike the first blow as they have everything their own way at present, owing to the removal of the troops to distant points at Oray's demand.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—Gen. and Mrs. Grant, accompanied by Gen. Beale, attended services this morning at Metropolitan Church, occupying the General's old pew. The church was crowded and altar and surroundings tastefully decorated. After services the General shook hands with many old friends.

Gen. and Mrs. Grant were entertained at dinner this afternoon by Senator Don Cameron. Among those present were Mrs. Fred Grant, Ulysses S. Grant, Jr., Gen. Sherman, Chief Justice Waite, Gen. Beale and Mrs. Beale, Gen. McFely and wife, Senator Carpenter and wife, and Senator Logan and wife.

New York, Dec. 28.—The Herald says the laboratory of Edison, at Menlo Park, was brilliantly illuminated last night with the new electric light, the occasion being a visit of a number of scientific gentlemen and personal friends. Forty lamps in all were burning from 6 o'clock until after 10. The effect of the exhibition was to convince those present who before were skeptical, that the electric light for household illumination. No day is yet set for general public exhibition, but it is quite probable that inside of a week every thing will be in readiness to be seen by all those who desire to visit Menlo Park (gas stocks are still depressed with a downwind tendency).

DENVER, Col., Dec. 28.—Two men, Sam Woodruff and Joe Semanole, the latter the half-breed Indian who murdered Al. B. Hayward, a farmer of Jefferson county, on the 10th of last September, were taken from jail at Golden and lynched at 11 o'clock this morning by 150 misdeeds.

The Albany Journal is of the opinion that Gov. Garcelon's conspiracy in Maine was not undertaken without the advice and knowledge of some prominent Democrats outside the State, and that it is the initial step to more important movements yet to come. It says that this counting out has been tried for the sake of securing the Electoral vote of Maine next year for the Democratic candidate, and that, if the leaders are willing to inaugurate revolution in Maine this year by way of exultation, they must be contemplating revolution next year in order to secure the Presidency.

In the opinion of the Journal, "The matter demands the gravest public thought. The infamy has not been executed without the participation of Democratic leaders, and they have not played this bold game without bolder thoughts beyond."

The secret of the last year's revival of business may be found in the statement of railway construction in 1879 recently compiled by the Railway Age. This table shows that more than 37,000 miles of new road have been built in the past year—5,019 miles of broad gauge and 728 miles of narrow gauge. This is exclusive of the renewal of tracks and construction of side-tracks on the old lines. The great bulk of this new railroad has been laid in the Western States, showing that the older and Eastern States have nearly their quantum of railroad facilities. The new railroads thus indicate the opening and cultivation of new farms, and the founding and building of new towns and cities. No country could experience the stimulant of this amount of railroad building, along with the coincident supply of locomotives, cars, and stock, and the contemporaneous growth of industry, without at the same time experiencing a bound in prosperity. The year 1879—the year of resumption in specie payments—has been also the year of resumption in railroading and general prosperity.

It will pay you to visit the great sale of remnants of dress goods at the Popular New York Store 11-d&w

A FINE assortment of Clusters and Ornaments at Cheap Charley's. Dec 13-d&w

CHARLESTON, Ill., Dec. 28.—The brutal assault on Thomas Grant, a farmer near here, a short time since, resulted in his death at 1 o'clock this morning, the pistol-shot in his lung proving fatal. James Cook and Chas. Lloyd, the assassins, have been jailed and will be held for murder. Cook has served one term at Joliet. The murder is looked on as a most foul one, and the murderer is stand a good show to stretch hemp.

It is not difficult to see in the proceedings of the Democrats of Maine a deliberate purpose to defeat Tilden's nomination in the interest of Hendrick's, Bayard or Thurman, by spiking the Greenback battery on the subject of "fraud." Tilden had but one plank for his platform, and that was "fraud." The difficulty in Maine double discounts all that was ever charged against the electoral commission, because the latter proceeded strictly according to forms of law prescribed by the Democrats themselves, whereas the former was a deliberate piece of unblinking rascality from the start. It is safe to say that Garcelon has hit Tilden harder, and further below the belt, than Kelley did. It looks as if there was a staid intent to keep the old man from getting a fair chance.—Globe-Democrat.

Call! Call! Call! Anthracite and Bituminous. Sole agent for the sale of Delaware & Hudson Canal Co's Lackawanna Coal, also agent for sale of Cumberland Blessing Coal. Orders left with Ashby & Andrews, V. H. Park, Clay Dempsey's cigar store, or by mail promptly attended to. Yard and office adjoining Decatur Furniture Factory. J. H. VENNIGER, Prop.

Handsome. You can be supplied with over-shoes, rubbers, etc., at Barber & Baker's. Call and select a pair. They have a large assortment on hand. [Nov 29-d&w]

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If you are going to Chicago, stop at Mrs. M. E. Willenburgh's boarding house, 44 South Sangamon street, where you will be furnished every accommodation at \$1 and \$2 per day. Dec 22-d&w

GREAT reductions in all wool cashmeres and fine winter dress goods, at the 11-d&w

Floor SKIRTS, the latest styles, made to order, on short notice, at Goldberg's, West Wood street 19-dif

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# The Daily Republican.

MONDAY EVENING, DEC. 29, 1879.

## CITY DEPARTMENT.

New designs in gold band china goods at E. D. Bartholomew & Co.'s, in opera block.

Good Templars to-night.

Home rule—wife's opinion.

"Nip and Tuck" Wednesday night.

Pleasure Club ball New Year's night.

No concert until next Monday.

One more week of liberty and fun for school children.

Vanity steaks at Delmonico restaurant.

Cold and raw is the state of the weather today.

Oysters in all styles at the Delmonico.

Merchant ally has been rechristened. It is now called "Beer Alley."

Cass patterns at Miss A. Miller's, 4 Merchant street.

Leave orders at W. C. Armstrong's for Ben Taylor's carriage.

Get a good, clean shave and a first-class haircut at the Wilhelm's barber shop, near the St. Nicholas.

DeVaux's jubilee singers at the tabernacle, January 7th. Admission 25 and 50 cents.

Nearest visiting card stock in the city just received at this office.

Call at Schroeder's, in postoffice block, for first class cigars and smoking tobacco.

There were 208 persons in attendance at Stapp's Chapel Sunday school yesterday.

Sealed letters registered. The state auditor, yesterday, registered funding bonds of the county of Marion, to the amount of \$8,000.

Last night of the tabernacle fair and festival. The easy chair and the silver water set will be voted away to-night.

Go to horse feed at F. W. Nicholson's, on the mound.

Smoke Osmers' "Morning Glory" cigar, sold by all first-class dealers.

Handsome curtain goods and stylish wall paper, at Abel & Locke's.

Photography. Alvin Wells is one of all competitors. He has the noblest pictures frames in this market.

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Circuit court will convene Monday, January 5th, at 8:30 a. m., when a jury will be selected to try cases. On Monday, January 12th, the criminal docket will be called, and all parties and witnesses interested in pending cases will go to themselves accordingly.

Chew Zig-zag tobacco, clean Kentucky white filler.

Quant on board at Delmonico restaurant.

Blasphemy to call for Bromine when you want a thorough and prompt blood purifier. Sold by Decatur druggists.

There were 400 at the Sunday school of the M. E. Church yesterday. This shows that the school is "solid" and not affected by Christmas.

For celluloid combs and brushes call at Armstrong's drug store.

Paul Piers, the engineer of the western extension of the T. D. & S. R. R., was in Tusculum last week and informed Major Miller that he had surveyed as far west on the new route to Knoxville from Casner Station as Auburn, the crossing of the main line of the C. & A. R. R. At this rate the survey will soon be completed.

I am wishing to have any crocheting done to order will please call on Goldberg on West Wood street, where they can also have any and all the latest styles of hosiery made to order.

Aug. 26—dlf

Winter—Second-hand furniture and stoves, new goods at the lowest price, regardless of the advance. All goods warranted as represented or money refunded.

F. Hottel.

The following paragraph of railroad news from the Tusculum Record, will be of interest to our readers at this time:

The eastern extension of the T. D. & S. R. R. was completed to Eel River, Putnam county, on Sunday last. This left a gap of only 17 miles not completed. If the weather had been favorable the past week the bridge over Eel river would have been completed to-morrow. As it is it will doubtless be finished early in the coming week, when the contractors expect to be able to lay a mile of track a day for 10 days, by which time it is thought the remaining 7 from the Indianapolis end will also be completed.

Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup has eminently proven itself to be a safe, reliable and cheap remedy for coughs, colds, etc. Price 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1 a bottle.

Sold by Decatur druggists.

Dec 27—dlw

Many must have been a field day for the beer shops south of town. We are led to make this remark from the fact that during yesterday afternoon and evening not less than fifty old and young men, and even boys, came staggering and staggering up the Central railroad, Frank and Water streets, objects of pity and disgust to all decent people. The grand boys are reasonable for active work January 1st.

Most magnificent carpets at the lowest live prices, at Abel & Locke's, on E. Main street.

First Bulk Oysters, 25 cents per quart, at Barnes Bros., 26 East Main street.

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Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Tetter, Chapped hands, Chillsblains, Corns, and all kinds of skin eruptions. This salve is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction in every case or money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box.

# Religion News.

The Episcopalians on Sunday had the rare opportunity of having three discourses by Rt. Rev. Geo. F. Seymour, D. D., J. L. D., bishop of this, the Springfield diocese. The bishop officiated at St. John's Church at 10:30 a. m., when he confirmed three converts made by the Rector, Rev. Walter H. Moore, and delivered a fine sermon to a very large congregation. At 3:30 p. m., he officiated at the House of Prayer, on East Eldorado street, and spoke for 30 minutes, every seat in the chapel being occupied. Last night he assisted the rector in the services at St. John's Church, and preached a masterly sermon, which consumed 35 minutes in its delivery. The remarks of the distinguished Bishop embraced many new and deep thoughts on the stability of the Christian religion and the final family reunion when time shall be no more. He declared that clubs, political parties, etc., could be formed at the will of man, from which he could withdraw or disband at his pleasure. But the religion of Christ always remained the same, and no man, nor body of men could change it. The plan of salvation and remission of sins is plain and simple, and unchangeable—such it had been through all ages, and such it would be until all nations, kindred and tribes should be reunited as one great family in the better land, where there is no marriage nor giving in marriage, no pain nor sorrow. Bishop Seymour has a very pleasant delivery, and is without doubt one of the ablest divines in the west. The church was filled with an attentive audience, and the music by the choir, Messrs. Eva Bunn and Maud Burrows, and Messrs. L. L. Ferriss and H. H. Bishop, with organ and violin accompaniments by Mrs. Alexander, Clarence H. and Fering Burrows, was excellent.

Rev. Dr. Goodwin delivered a sermon on the death of the late Captain Harry A. White at the First M. E. Church last night, and took occasion to draw a lesson therefrom. At the close a collection, amounting to \$30, was taken up for the benefit of deceased's family. The audience room was filled to its fullest capacity, many members of other congregations being present.

Owing to illness, Prof. Wm. Fox, of Hartsville University, Ind., did not preach at the United Brethren Church yesterday. He filled the pulpit at night, and preached an excellent discourse, which was attentively listened to by a full congregation.

An illustrated sermon "Dancing the Cross," was delivered at Stapp's Chapel last evening by Rev. G. W. Miller, and listened to by a very large congregation. The discourse is the subject of considerable praise on the streets to-day by those present.

"What of It?" and "Last Word," were Rev. N. S. Haynes' subjects at the Christian church yesterday.

A blow up at Springfield. Passengers on No. 4 from the west this noon report a terrific boiler explosion that took place at Springfield this forenoon between 9 and 10 o'clock. The report is that the boiler at the Iowa mill, owned by Macabee, south of the square, near the Central House, exploded at the time, blowing out the sides of the 3-story brick building, and also lifting the roof off the structure. At the time the train left Springfield it was known that the engineer was buried under the ruins, and it was thought more than half a dozen other employees had perished. The shock of the explosion rattled window panes and shook buildings eight and ten blocks away.

Thanks. Mrs. Henry White wishes us to return her heartfelt thanks to her neighbors and the many friends who have shown so much kindness to her during her affliction. She desires to make special mention of Capt. Lytle and the soldiers who assisted at the funeral of her husband. She and her children will never forget the many kind words and deeds bestowed in the hour of trouble.

St. John's Church. Bishop Seymour will hold an ordination on Tuesday morning, morning prayer at 10 a. m. The ordination services will commence at 11 a. m. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Dr. Easter, of Jacksonville. Mr. J. G. Wright, of Sadorus, will be ordained deacon. He will be in charge of the church at Sadorus. Bishop Seymour preaches at Marion on Tuesday evening, and returns to Springfield on Wednesday.

A Greenbacker in the Front. Governor Callum has appointed Col. Thomas Snell, of Clinton, to represent the state in the celebration of the centennial of the capture of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown, which takes place October 19, 1881. This is in pursuance of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the governors of the original thirteen states, held in Pennsylvania October 19, 1879. Snell will be heard.

Hereafter the meetings of the Athenian society will be held every Saturday night at the high school building. The meeting last Friday night was one of wholesome interest, and the attendance was quite large.

A Verdant Bum from Warrensburg got into the toils of a Decatur cop Saturday night and spent the Sabbath in the city calaboose. He answered to the charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct in Justice Peake's court this morning, and was assessed the usual fine, which he didn't pay.

Mrs. Gage's private school for girls will remove from No. 6 North Water street to a larger apartment, under Brennan's Hall, second floor, where the school will reopen on Monday, January 5, 1880. For terms and other particulars apply to Mrs. J. B. Gage, at the above mentioned room, on or after Saturday, January 3d, next. It is very desirable that all scholars who are to attend during the term shall be present the opening day.

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# The Tabernacle Festival.

Wednesday night witnessed another jam at the tabernacle, when young and old mingled together in a social way and passed the evening most agreeably. Early in the evening Prof. Goodman's orchestra rendered a number of choice selections in a faultless manner. The oyster, ice cream, supper, confection and fancy work tables were liberally patronized, which brought a handsome number of dollars into the cashier's drawer. But the interest of the evening centered in the useful and beautiful articles voted away. The friends of the popular ladies and misses named below worked long and earnestly in obtaining dimes and quarters from men young and old, with the following result: Handsomely dressed wax doll—Voted to Daisy Stafford, who received 284 votes; Alice Mahli, 241.

The large cake was voted to Mrs. M. B. Nicholls, who received 921 votes; Mrs. Reed Spencer, 383.

The beautiful rocker was voted to Mrs. John H. Drayton, who received 430 votes; Mrs. Charles Goodman, 257.

The elegant jewel case was won by Miss Minnie Waggoner, who received 546 votes, Miss Annie Chambers, 213; Miss Nettie Large, 35.

THE LAST NIGHT. The management have concluded to close the fair and festival to-night, and have added two attractive features that will insure the attendance of a vast multitude. A grand vocal and instrumental concert will be given early in the evening, in which Prof. Goodman's orchestra will take part. Supper and refreshments will be served during the evening commencing at 6 o'clock.

The elegant silver water set and easy chair will be voted away to-night, and the indications are that the contest on each will be exceedingly lively. The voting on the water set will close at 10:30 o'clock, on the easy chair at 11 o'clock.

This afternoon the vote on the water set stood Mrs. M. P. Murphy, 100; Mrs. J. W. Weigand, 78.

On the easy chair, John Irwin 37; J. A. Buckingham, 101; James Freeman, 21.

In addition to the above a silver pickle caster will be voted away, and the voting will close at ten o'clock. The candidates are Anne Griswold and Annie B. Dora.

Everything in the line of fancy articles remaining unsold at 9 o'clock will be disposed of at auction, Mr. T. E. Dawson, the well known auctioneer of Indianapolis, having kindly consented to make the sale.

Let everybody attend. Admission, 10 cents.

PERSONAL MENTION.

State Senator Moffett was a caller at this office to-day.

Miss Lina Wagner, of Shelbyville, is visiting friends in this city.

While in the city Bishop Seymour is a guest at the residence of L. Burrows, E. q.

Hon. J. H. Pickrell, of Harristown, called to-day, and renewed his subscription to the Weekly Republican to "St."

Miss Hattie Morehouse, of Bloomington, is a guest of Mrs. George E. Morehouse on South Main street.

"Dick" Newell, the Midland ticket agent and telegraph operator, at Mt. Zion, spent Sunday in Decatur.

Hon. J. G. Cannon was in the city on Saturday for a few hours, and gave the Republican an agreeable call. He left for Danville at 10:40, and will depart for Washington Jan. 1st.

A. J. Steen is no longer Decatur agent for the Illinois Midland railway company. He retired on Tuesday of last week, and now a clerical gentleman named N. E. Adams holds the fort at the foot of East Main street. Mr. Steen has left the city.

Superintendent E. A. Gastman and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Paulbrook departed for Bloomington this afternoon to attend the annual convention of the State Teachers' Association, which opens there to-morrow.

Mrs. Henry A. White will remain in the city another week. She is stopping at Mr. D. C. Kennedy's, corner Cerro Gordo and North Water streets, over Imboden's cigar store, where she will be glad to see any of her friends who may feel disposed to call on her.

Mr. John B. Hyland, of Troy, N. Y., suffered with rheumatism for ten months so badly that he could hardly move his arms or legs. Tried a bottle of Dr. J. C. King's Oil, and the relief was immediate.

NEW SELECTIONS.

We have just received a large lot of plain and fancy visiting cards, including a number of the popular Japanese styles, and others which have never before been brought to this market. These include plain and beveled edges, square cards, &c. A portion of our New Year cards have also arrived, and persons can now make their selections before the assortment has been picked over.

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Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, etc., is given away in trial bottles free of cost, to the afflicted. If you have a severe cough, cold, difficult breathing, hoarseness, or any affection of the throat or lungs, by all means give this wonderful remedy a trial. As you value your existence you cannot afford to let this opportunity pass. We could not afford and would not give this remedy away unless we knew it would accomplish what we claim for it. Thousands of hopeless cases have been completely cured by it. There is no medicine in the world that will cure one-half the cases that Dr. King's New Discovery will cure. For sale by Hubbard & Sacarin, Decatur, Ill.

Every one says, "What can we find a suitable present for a gentleman?" Step into Curtis & Ewing's jewelry store and see. They have the most complete line of just such goods you could hope to find in this city's travel.

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# "Nip and Tuck" and "St. Slocum."

On Wednesday evening next the inevitable comedian, Harry Webber, will appear at the opera house in the great melodramatic comedy, entitled "Nip and Tuck." Popular prices and seats at Curtis & Ewing's. Of Webber and this sensational play the Cincinnati Enquirer says:

On last evening the great play of Nip and Tuck was presented to a delighted audience; we have only words of praise for the performance throughout. The play itself is not only deeply interesting, as becomes the author of the Two Orphans, but very amusing, and alternately called forth roars of laughter and tears of sympathy. The character of Nicholas Nip was assumed by Harry Webber, a favorite comedian in Chicago, and his innumerable disguises, sane and sane, showed a complete sinking of personal identity in the character assumed. The protean disguises are naturally introduced and differ in this respect from all the sensational plays we remember to have seen. The support, too, was excellent. The piece was well placed upon the stage, and is showing to the best business of the season at this house.

On Friday night, Jan. 2d, the amusement loving public will have a rare treat at the opera house, when the Praying-Tiffany elite combination will appear in the fashionable success entitled "St. Slocum." Reserved seats at Curtis & Ewing's. Says a Canada exchange:

Miss Annie Ward Tiffany occupies the enviable position of being accounted the best general actress in America, playing everything, as she does, from comedy to tragedy, with excellence, while in strong emotional parts she is unexcelled by any lady now before the public. Possessed of a beautiful face and faultless figure, united to great dramatic power, it is not surprising that she is such a favorite in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and the large cities of the states. The company supporting these artists are selected for their peculiar adaptability for the parts assigned them, and of the drama of "St. Slocum" it is scarcely necessary to speak, as it has withstood the criticism of both hemispheres.

Putting Up the Wires.

The wires of the new American Union Telegraph Company have been put up between this city and St. Louis, along the line of the Wabash railway. The workmen in charge of Thomas Matha arrived here Saturday night. A force of workmen are putting up the wires from the east end of the road and had arrived in Danville on Friday last. The two crews will meet sixteen miles east of Decatur and the work will then be completed, except that which is to be done on the western division of the main line and its numerous branches.

MARRIED.

In this city, on Sunday evening, Dec. 28, 1879, by Justice Albert, Mr. GEORGE BARN and Mrs. Mary E. MORRIS, both of Decatur township.

By Rev. Dr. Goodwin, in the study of the First M. E. Church, December 28th, Mr. IRA A. KRAUTH, of Hammond, Ill., and Mrs. LUCIA A. COX, of Decatur.

Wanted.

Ladies and gentlemen amateur actors and singers wanted, to join a company now forming in this city. Apply immediately by letter. Address:

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Masquerade.

A Grand Masquerade Ball will be given by Prof. Wilhelm's Orchestra at Grandeur's Hall, New Year's Eve, 1879, at which two prizes will be given to the best lady and gentleman masqueraders. No improper characters admitted. Tickets, including lady, \$1.00. 24-47

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AGAIN, by way of a gentle reminder, permit us to say that we don't allow our selves to be undersold by any house in this corner of the continent. Our present offerings are well worth inspection.

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# Rev. Geo. H. Thayer, of Bourbon, Ind., known to every one in that vicinity as a most influential citizen and Christian minister of the M. E. Church, says: "I wish everybody to know that I consider that both myself and wife owe our lives to Sutor's Catarrh Remedy." Dr. A. J. Storer, of New York, says: "It is having a tremendous sale, and is giving perfect satisfaction such as nothing else has done. For Lame Back, Side or Chest, don't fail to use Sutor's Catarrh Remedy. We recommend these remedies." Sold by Dr. A. J. Storer.

Do You Believe It. That in this town there are scores of persons passing our store every day whose lives are made miserable by Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Sour and distressed Stomach, Liver Complaint, Constipation, when for 25 cents we will sell them Sutor's Catarrh Remedy, guaranteed to cure them. Sold by Dr. A. J. Storer.

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asked, after having recalled his things about him

"Yes, my boy," she said to you I asked you what occupied your thoughts

As she spoke thus she moved close to where Roric sat, and hand upon his arm

"Tell me, my boy," she said in low, persuasive tone, "what dwells thus upon your mind."

There could you ask me to frank?"

Rutic smiled, but he made reply. He was too deeply in the face of the monk to enter eagerness into conversation. The guest asked if he could be dated with some sleeping place, answered in the affirmative, lighted another candle and led him to a chamber which was doubtless the best he could find.

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